



Immunization Coalition of Los Angeles County

ICLAC UPDATE PROJECT WORK PLANS

As of October 30, 2018

Mission: To foster collaborative efforts to prevent vaccine preventable diseases since 1997



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Why Collaborate?



WE ARE
Stronger
TOGETHER

ICLAC Updates

Overview

- Provide an update on ICLAC workgroup projects, activities, and accomplishments.
- Provide an update about the upcoming ICLAC Webinar with Dr. Paul Offit November 27, 2018 12:00noon

ICLAC COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS



- Adolescent Immunization
- Adult Immunization
- ICLAC Partnership Survey

Adolescent Workgroup



Adolescent Workgroup Members

Organization	Representative
Health Net	Jason L. Moore, M.P.H.
LA County Dept. of Public Health- Women’s Health Program	Rita Singhal, M.D., M.P.H.
LA County Dept. of Public Health – Vaccine Preventable Disease Control Program	Wendy Berger, M.P.H.
LA County Dept. of Public Health, Div. of HIV + STD	Kristen Meyer, Ph.D.
LA Care Health Plan	Keren Mahgerefteh, M.P.H.
Network Medical Management	Doug Sullivan, R.N.
Northeast Valley Health Corporation	Debra Rosen, R.N., M.P.H. (Co-Chair)
MiOra	Ozlem Equils, M.D. (Co-Chair)
Pfizer	Paul Collick
Sanofi Pasteur	Elsie Nash

Adolescent Workgroup

Rationale for Collaborating

- Adolescents access health care inconsistently and infrequently.
- Missed opportunities occur more frequently where adolescents seek health care.





Adolescent Workgroup

GOAL: Advocate to increase adolescent immunization coverage levels in Los Angeles County.

Methods



Preteen Vaccine Week

March 3-9, 2019

Adolescent Workgroup

- Conduct a Social media campaign using student ambassadors.
- Engage LA Unified School District and LA Trust organizations to collaborate

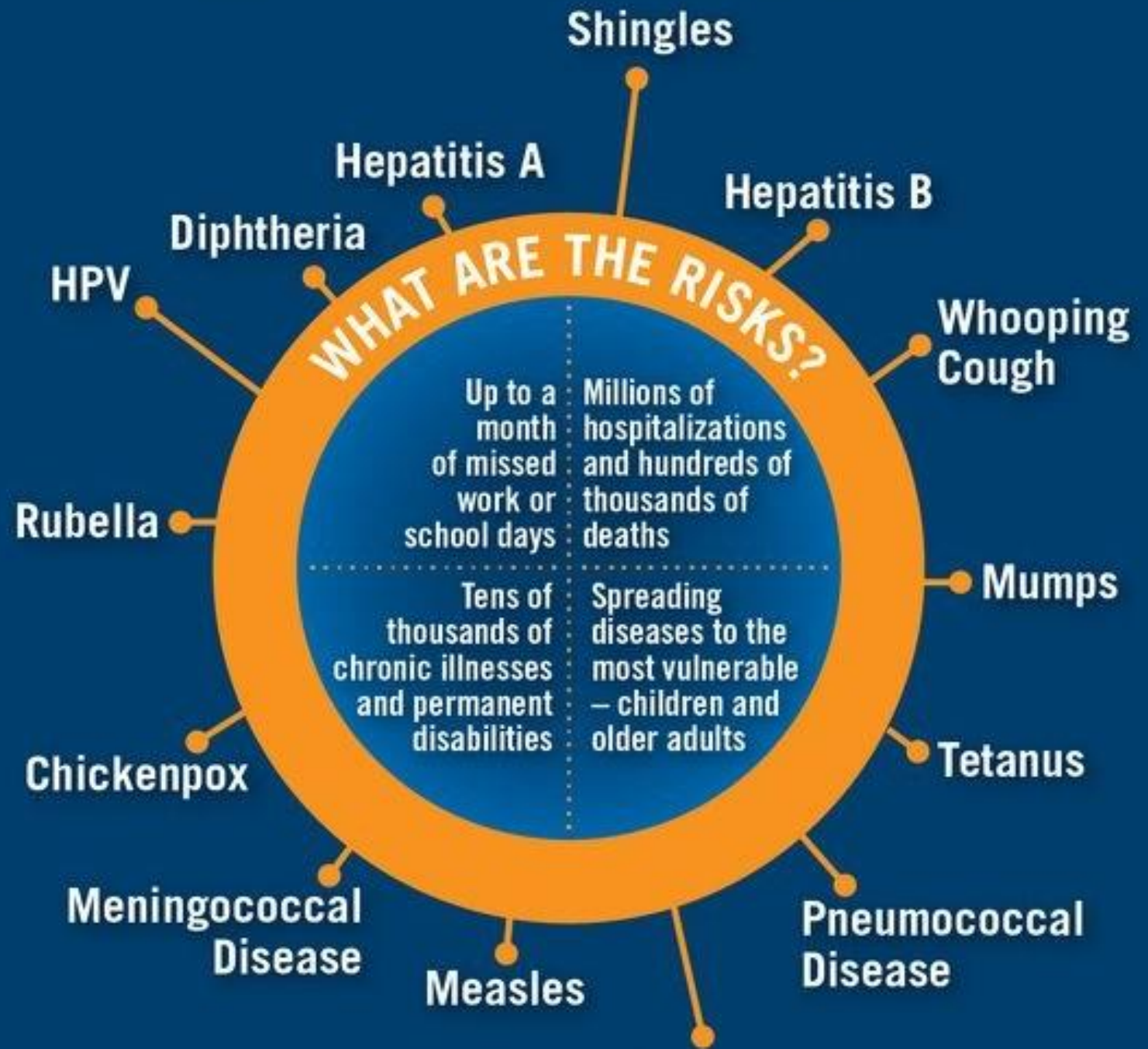


Adolescent Workgroup Methods (continued)

- In collaboration with Dept. of Public Health HIV+STD Program, plan and implement “best practices” webinars focused on how to talk about vaccines for Medical Assistants (MA) and front office clinic staff.



Adult Workgroup



Adult Immunization Workgroup Members

Organization	Representative
CA Dept. of Public Health, Immun. Branch	Rebeca Boyte, M.A.S.
LA County, Department of Public Health – Vaccine Preventable Disease Control Program	Wendy Berger, M.P.H.
ICLAC Steering Committee Member	Matthew Emons, M.D. (Retired)
EB Rubinstein Associates	Elan Rubinstein, Pharm.D., M.P.H.
LA County, Dept. of Public Health - Maternal, Child, & Adolescent Health Programs	Joanne Roberts, R.N.
Network Medical Management	Doug Sullivan, R.N.
MiOra	Ozlem Equils, M.D.
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Sanofi Pasteur	Elsie Nash
West Coast University School of Pharmacy	Keri Hurley-Kim, Pharm.D.

Adult Workgroup

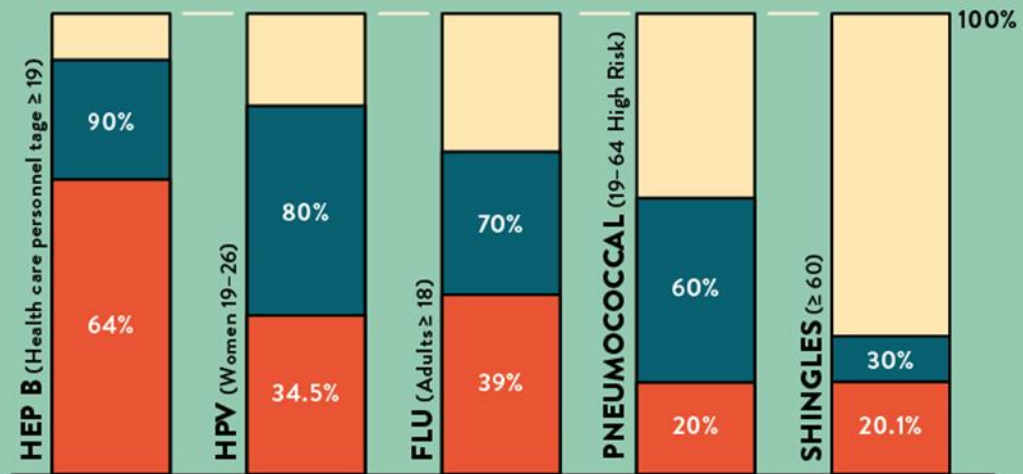
Rationale for Collaborating

Adult
Vaccination
Rates Are
Low

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ADULT VACCINE
ACCESS COALITION

Adult vaccination rates remain
low in the US and far below
Healthy People 2020 targets

■ ADULT VACCINATION RATE
■ HEALTHY PEOPLE 2020 TARGET



Adult Workgroup

The California Experience

- Less than 60% of CA adults > 65 self-report receiving pneumonia and influenza vaccinations.¹
- Less than 60% of pregnant women in CA in 2015, self-report receiving influenza vaccination and less than half report receiving Tdap vaccination.²
- Healthy People 2020 goals are 90% and 80% coverage levels, respectively.

Sources: ¹Surveillance Summaries/February 5, 2016/65 (1); 1-36. ²MIHA 2015 data, CA Dept. of Public health, Immunization Branch

Adult Workgroup

Provider Barriers

- High cost of adult vaccines.
- Extended delays in vaccine reimbursement.
- Underserved communities may lack neighborhood retail pharmacies.



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System Barriers

- No standardized pharmacy benefit (“carve out”) across health plans.
- Some medical practices may still lack Electronic Health Record technology (EHR).
- Roll out of CAIR 2.0 software has experienced software incompatibility issues, hence not fully integrated with diverse set of Electronic Health Records (EHRs).



Adult Immunization Workgroup

GOAL: Protect all of LA County adults >19 years of age from vaccine preventable diseases (VPD), with a special focus on pregnant women and seniors (50+) in LA County who are at higher risk for complications related to VPDs.



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Objective 1:

Build and strengthen strategic partnerships with state and local agencies such as CA Dept. of Aging (CDA), Health Services Advocacy Group (HSAG) Covered California, and medical associations.



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GROUPS 

ADULT IMMUNIZATION WORKGROUP

Proposal 1:

Understand how recommended adult immunizations can be promoted among the vulnerable Medi-Cal population using Community Based Adult Services (CBAS).



ADULT IMMUNIZATION WORKGROUP

Methods

- Meet with CDA and DHCS to determine if adult immunization can be incorporated into the CBAS Quality Assurance and Improvement Strategy.
- In collaboration with an external vendor, conduct a survey among CBAS facilities to understand how adult immunization status could be incorporated into the initial assessment and Individual Plan of Care (IPC).
- Design a pilot project based on the above.



Adult Immunization Workgroup

Proposal 2

Among Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) and Long Term Care Centers (LTC) in LA County, define facility characteristics associated with high reported adult immunization rates. Gain a better understanding of best practices that can be used to promote increased immunization rates.



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Methods

- Nursing Home Compare data (publicly available) reports influenza and pneumococcal vaccination rates for short-stay and long-stay residents.
- Perform a statistical analysis to define facility characteristics associated with high reported immunization rates.
- Survey a sample of the identified high performers to understand these best practices and how other facilities can improve immunization rates.



Adult Workgroup

Objective 2:

Improve Tdap immunization coverage levels among California pregnant women from 60% to 80% by 2020.



Adult Workgroup

Methods:

Administer Tdap immunizations among pregnant women attending WIC clinics.

In collaboration with:

- Women's Infants and Children (WIC) program
- Immunize LA Families Coalition
- The California Dept. of Public Health (CDPH)
- Ralph's Pharmacy



ICLAC Partnership Survey N=124

n=18; 15%
Response Rate



ICLAC Partnership Survey

Goal: To build and expand ICLAC's professional networks with health care agencies serving communities at highest risk for vaccine preventable diseases (VPDs).



ICLAC Partnership Survey

Objective

- By 2019, recruit at least 2-3 representatives from distinct organizations per year through professional linkages with ICLAC's partnering organizations.



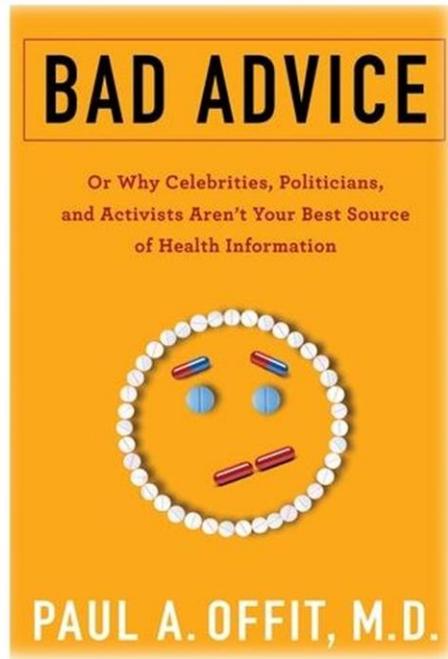
ICLAC Partnership Survey Methods

- Assess the organizational profile of the ICLAC Partnership
- Assess the vaccine communication resource and materials needs of ICLAC and partnering organizations.



“How to Talk about Vaccines” : *An Interactive Webinar with Dr. Paul Offit*

November 27, 2018
12:00 Noon



ICLAC
Accomplishments
FY 2016-2018



ICLAC Accomplishments

FY 2016-2018: Funding

- Received an educational grant to support ICLAC's distance learning objectives with stakeholders across Los Angeles County.



ICLAC Accomplishments:

Interagency Collaborative Activities - FY 2016-2018

- Collaborated and published a manuscript in a peer-reviewed medical journal - **Human Vaccines & Immunotherapeutics, Volume 15 Issue 3**).
Title: *"Logistical and Structural Challenges are the Major Obstacles for Family Medicine Physicians' Ability to Administer Adult Vaccines"*
- Collaborated and published a policy brief and press release advocating increased access to pharmacies for adult immunizations across all health plans in California.
- Convened a state and local partnership to improve Tdap immunizations among pregnant women from Southern California Women's Infants and Children (WIC) Clinics.

ICLAC Accomplishments

FY 2016-2018: Best Practices

- Drafted two proposals to improve recommended immunizations among high risk seniors attending LA County Community Based Adult Service (CBAS) centers and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs).
- Disseminated a coalition survey among ICLAC partners to diversify ICLAC with stakeholders serving communities at high risk for vaccine preventable diseases.



Closing Thought

- “They say if you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, GO TOGETHER”!!
- --*African Proverb*



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GAME
CHANGER**

Questions

